



PRESS SERVICES

The Virginia Department of Business Assistance can provide

- **Subject matter expertise and quotes for stories on entrepreneurship; small, woman, and minority-owned (SWaM) business programs; access to capital for business; workforce training programs and issues; state procurement issues, including compliance with Governor Kaine's Executive Order 33.**
- **Referrals to businesses with compelling personal stories, innovative products or services, or new markets.**
- **Referrals to individuals and organizations offering creative or innovative programs or solutions that positively impact business in Virginia.**
- **Identification of contacts for information, e.g. statistics, within other state agencies or economic development organizations through our Virginia Business Information Center (VBIC)**
- **Background on business-related stories**
- **Ideas for stories**

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